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ATM FACILITY
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the places in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar where ATM facility has been provided by different banks, bank-wise; and

(b) the plans for installing new ATM facility during the current and the next financial year in the above States?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL)

(a) & (b): Under the liberalized Branch Authorisation Policy, the choice of the centre/location of the branch/Off-site ATM, is left to the discretion of banks, which the banks decide based on the business potential, commercial viability, availability of infrastructure etc. It has been provided in the policy that Banks may approach RBI for any urgent proposal regarding opening of branches/ATMs especially in rural/under-banked areas, anytime during the year, in addition to the approvals given under the Annual Plan. It is also pertinent to add that all proposals for opening of Off-site ATMs by banks are generally considered favorably by the RBI. The total number of ATMs installed bank-wise in the State of Uttar Pradesh and Bihar are annexed.